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Amendments to PPQ Order on Provisions Governing Imports of Specified Plant and Plant Materials

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Report Highlights:

On June 4, 2009, the Ministry of Agriculture issued a draft amendment to the Plant Quarantine (Regulation of import into India) Order, 2003. Comments or suggestions on the proposed amendment can be submitted within 60 days. The amendment proposes additional conditions and declarations for the imports of certain species of plants, germplasm, wood, timber logs, and niger seeds for consumption, into India.

General Information:

Introduction:

The Department of Agriculture and Cooperation, Ministry of Agriculture issued a draft amendment to the Plant Quarantine (Regulation into India) Order, 2003. The amendment order will be called 'Plant Quarantine (Regulation of Import into India) (Fifth Amendment), Order, 2009.

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Type of Regulation: Draft

Important Dates:

Publication Dates: June 4, 2009

Date notified to the WTO: Not yet notified (as of June 7, 2009)

Final date for comments: July 31, 2009

Effective Date: Date of publication of the final notification in the Official Gazette

Comments/suggestions should be addressed to:

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Products Affected: Specified species of plants, germplasm, wood (with and without bark), timber logs, and niger seeds for consumption.

Agency in Charge: Ministry of Agriculture

Proposed Change:

These amendments further seek to specify provisions regarding imports of certain species of plants, germplasm, wood (with and without bark), timber logs, and niger seeds for consumption into India.

The full text version of the Plant Quarantine (Regulation of Import into India) (Fifth Amendment), Order, 2009 can be accessed from:

<http://agricoop.nic.in/Gazette/pp5609.pdf>

For more information on the Plant Quarantine (Regulation of Import into India) Order 2003, see: http://plantquarantineindia.org/PQO_amendments.htm or <http://agricoop.nic.in/gazette.htm>

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